



IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Application of: McCarthy, J.

Examiner:

Avery, B.

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For: METHOD AND APPARATUS FOR CONTROLLING THE SPEED OF AN
ENGINE WITHIN A HYBRID ELECTRIC VEHICLE

Assistant Commissioner of Patents and Trademarks
Washington, D.C. 20231

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The Applicant's undersigned Attorney thanks the Examiner for a kind and thorough review of the Application. Applicant's undersigned Attorney responds to the Office Action mailed on 09/17/01 (hereinafter referred to as the "Office Action") in the following manner:

Remarks

The Examiner has rejected claims 1 - 19. Particularly, claims 1 and 2 were rejected under 35 U.S.C. §102(e) and claims 3 - 19 were rejected under 35 U.S.C. §103(a). The

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I hereby certify that the foregoing Response to Office Action and Petition for a One Month Extension of Time are being deposited with the United States Postal Service in an envelope as First Class Mail addressed to the Assistant Commissioner for Patents and Trademarks, Washington, DC 20231 on this 17 day of January 2002.

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